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Hon. Pat Miller
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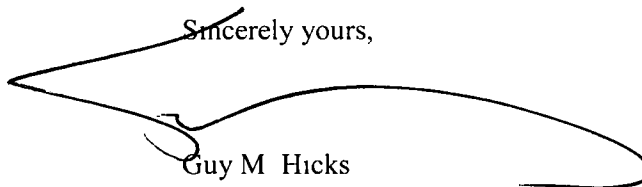
Re *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*
Docket No. 04-00326

Dear Chairman Miller:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and fourteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated February 27, 2003. The Amendment relates to Local Portability Recovery.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Guy M. Hicks

cc: Tom Gregson, Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc.
Susan M. Hafeli, Shaw Pittman LLP

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Nashville, Tennessee

In re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc and Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*

Docket No. _____

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE
AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
AND METRO TELECONNECT COMPANIES, INC.
PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

COME NOW, Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc. ("Metro Teleconnect") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated February 27, 2003 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, Metro Teleconnect and BellSouth state the following:

1. Metro Teleconnect and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to Metro Teleconnect. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on August 18, 2003.

2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement which relates to Local Portability recovery. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Metro Teleconnect and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the TRA for approval.

4 In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and Metro Teleconnect within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. Metro Teleconnect and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act and FCC Order No. 04-164, BellSouth shall make the Agreement available upon the same terms and conditions contained therein.

Metro Teleconnect and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 28th day of Sept, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: 

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the 28th day of Sept, 2004:

Tom Gregson
Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc.
2150 Herr Street
Harrisburg, PA 17103

Susan M. Hafeli
Shaw Pittman LLP
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Guy M. Hicks

**Amendment
To the
Interconnection Agreement
Between
Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc.
and
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
Dated February 27, 2003**

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment"), Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc (Metro Teleconnect), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties,," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated February 27, 2003 ("Agreement") to be effective on the date of the last signature executing the Amendment

WHEREAS, BellSouth and Metro Teleconnect entered into the Agreement on February 27, 2003, and,

WHEREAS, BellSouth and Metro Teleconnect are amending the Agreement to modify Local Number Portability (LNP) recovery charge pursuant to the Order in the matter of the Telephone Number Portability BellSouth Corporation Petition for Declaratory Ruling and/or Waiver, CC Docket No 95-116, released April 13, 2004,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows

- 1 The Parties agree to delete in their entirety all rate elements and USOCs identified as "Local Number Portability charges" in Exhibit B of Attachment 2, as specified by the following USOCs LNPCX, LNPCP, LNPCN, and LNPCC
2. The Parties agree to add the following language to Section 4 as Section 4.1 1 of Attachment 2 and Section 5 as Section 5.4.5 of Attachment 2
 - In addition to other charges specified in this Agreement for Local Number Portability Metro Teleconnect shall pay to BellSouth the Local Number Portability charges as set forth in Section 13 of the BellSouth FCC No 1 Tariff,
- 3 All of the other provisions of the Agreement dated February 27, 2003 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.
4. Either or both of the Parties are authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

LNP Recovery Amendment
Signature Page

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement the day and year
written below

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

By: Kristen E Rowe

Name. Kristen E Rowe

Title. Director

Date 8/4/04

Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc.

By: Tom Greyson

Name. Tom Greyson

Title. Director of Operations

Date 8/3/04